

## House Resolution No. 720

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Glen Garrett, an esteemed resident of Monett, Missouri, who is to be commended for the numerous contributions he has made to the Monett community; and

**Whereas**, Glen Garrett has compiled an enviable list of service to the City of Monett through his efforts to acquire land needed for the expansion of the Monett Airport, donate equipment to clear the land for the new First United Methodist Church and the new Clark Mental Health Center, remove snow from the area and clear roads with his "bigfoot" blade, and purchase the First State Bank, which he saved in 1974 because he didn't want to see an independent bank close; and

**Whereas**, a firm believer that everyone deserves a chance and sometimes even a second chance, Glen Garrett has been a strong supporter of local education, serving as the general contractor on the Purdy School building project and as president of the School Board for more than seventeen years; and

**Whereas**, when the local shoe factory was experiencing serious financial trouble, Glen Garrett provided \$700,000 to keep the business afloat until it was sold to Osage Footware, which kept many Monett residents employed twelve years longer than they would have been without his intervention; and

**Whereas**, Glen has made countless monetary donations to several local organizations including the Cassville Library Building Fund, Cox-Monett Hospital, the Monett Community Foundation, Monett High School, and the Downtown Betterment Group, just to name a few; and

**Whereas**, in 1986, Glen saved the one-hundred-year-old Citizens National Bank of Monett/Pierce City, when the FDIC was going to close its doors by purchasing the bank with his own funds on the day before the closing; and

**Whereas**, Glen and his wife served as surrogate parents to several teenagers over the years and hosted a foreign exchange student from Mexico who now lives and works in the Purdy area with her husband and her children:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Glen Garrett at this proud moment of well-deserved recognition, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to serve as an inspiration to all who know and love him; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Glen Garrett.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sam Gaskill  
District No. 131

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Representative Linda Bartelsmeyer  
District No. 132

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 720, adopted March 12, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker

